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Hongkong, December 5, 1904. 1815

## Intimations.

HONGKONG REGATTA.

INTENDING COMPETITORS in the  
Hongkong Regatta are reminded that  
Entries should be sent in on or before 1st  
February, to  
E. R. HALLIFAX,  
Hon. Secretary,  
Central Police Station.

Hongkong, January 28, 1905. 190

## NOTICE.

DURING the Temporary Absence of  
Mr. W. MALCOLM WATSON, Mr.  
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charge of our Business.

JOHN D. HUTCHISON & CO.  
Hongkong, January 28, 1905. 188

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## NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the  
Late JAMES PARK WINGATE  
(Deceased) in our Firm ceased on 31st  
December, 1904.

TAIT & CO.  
Amey, January 1, 1905. 51

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and after this date interest at the  
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such Calls, namely 21st January, 1905.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
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Hongkong, January 11, 1905. 82

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Canton.

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With Special Reference to  
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THREE MINUTES' WALK FROM POST OFFICE.  
SPECIAL TERMS FOR MONTHLY BOARDERS.

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29, WYNDHAM STREET.  
Hongkong, September 6, 1904. 1636

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PORTRAITURE IN ALL STYLES.  
AMATEUR WORK A SPECIALITY.

Hongkong, October 5, 1904. 1812

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Nos. 1 to 14, SHAD-KWAN ROAD.  
Hongkong, January 3, 1905. 19

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Hongkong, August 2, 1904. 1419

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Hongkong, January 10, 1905. 1865

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Hongkong, January 16, 1905. 1895

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Hongkong, January 17, 1905.







## FRIEDT CIRCULAR.

Messrs. Lamke and Rogge report for the month closing Jan. 28. "The freight market has remained in much the same position as last reported; a fair amount of chartering has been done, but the near approach of the Chinese New Year is making itself felt in all branches of the shipping trade and business on a large scale and at advanced rates can hardly be expected until after the holidays, say in about a fortnight to three weeks.

A hand to mouth business has been done from Saigon to this, the few steamers owned by Chinese plying regularly between that port and here, picking up what cargo they can get on basis of 13 cents per picul rice. Shipments of new grain will not be effected until well into February and it is still rather premature to form a reliable opinion upon the yield of the new crop; but it is generally believed, that previous reports as to the effect of the inundations have been exaggerated and that a fair average crop may be looked for.

From Saigon to Philipp. ports, several fresh settlements are on record at slightly lower rates viz. 19/30 cents per picul; some further enquiry exists and may possibly be filled by a boat or two seeking employment to pass over the temporary stock period.

Saigon/Java, no fresh business reported, but operations are likely to be resumed about second half of February though, as to opening rates, nothing definite can be said.

Saigon/Japan, a steamer has been done, to load immediately after the Chinese New Year at 43 cents per picul, a fairly good rate under the circumstances, but for later delivery tonnage cannot be had on same basis.

Ascent Bangkok business, there is no change whatever to report, the new crops produce being not available for shipment until the latter part of next month.

From Java to this, a fixture is reported, dry and/or wet sugar, lump sum equal to about 34 cents per picul.

Advices from the North still remain very good and indicate that a resumption of the activity of last few months, and at good rates, may be expected after the New Year has passed. Latest quotations are—Mojil/Shanghai 22 per ton, firm, Wuhu/Ching-kiang to Canton, 27 and 27 cents; enquiry, Wuhu/Swato 28 cents; enquiry, Wuhu to Chefoo 30 cents; a small demand.

Coal freight from Japan ports to this has continued to follow a downward tendency, principally in consequence of several ready steamers wanting to find their way down South. Business has been done at 11/30 per ton, Mojil to this, prompt loading, but it is not likely that more tonnage can be had at that figure for forward delivery. Mojil/Saigon, 22 Charter has been put through at 35 per ton. For Singapore, no fresh business has transpired. For a port in the Philippines a small carrier has been taken up on monthly terms. From Waka-matsu to Amoy and Swatow, 22.55 per ton and 22.40 per ton has been paid respectively, for part cargo.

Hongkong to this, nothing doing and no tonnage will be wanted until latter part of February.

On time basis, three fresh charters are on record, the little craft "Melita" being for Northern account and the "M. Sirvuo" to fill local requirement. More tonnage is likely to be wanted after the New Year, both here and up North and, it is expected, fair rates will be paid.

Sail Freight.—Nothing doing.

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BILE BEANS EFFECT A CURE.

As a family medicine Bile Beans stand out prominently amongst the many remedies in use at the present time. They are the product of the most modern scientific research, and embody essences, which science has discovered as valuable health restorers, not contained in medicines dating back half a century or more. A case of extraordinary interest in which this great specific has once more proved triumphant is that of Mrs. Turner, her daughter and son, living at Moorgate, Retford, England, who were all cured of debility. Mrs. Turner says:

"For a long time I suffered so from debility that it was with difficulty I moved about. I had a constant feeling of heaviness at the stomach, and do what I would I could not get rid of it. My breathing was laboured, and caused great pain. Many a time, when outside I had actually to stand still in order to get my breath, so bad had I become. One day a neighbour gave me a few Bile Beans to see if they would do me any good. I thought they did, and so I purchased some. From the time I began to take them I have gradually improved, until now I am quite well again. Upon being questioned, Mrs. Turner's daughter said she had suffered from nervous debility also. She went on:

"My strength left me, I became depressed, and lost all interest in everything. So dreadfully low did I get that I could hardly move about, and I felt as if I should like to go to bed and not get up again. My mother who said it was dreadful to see me so ill, gave me some of the Bile Beans, and I determined to give them a fair trial. The result is most satisfactory. Although only a short time has elapsed since I began to take them, my weakness and depression have gone, and my strength has returned. The Beans are certainly a wonderful medicine."

Mrs. Turner told of a third case in her family in which this wonderful vegetable specific had effected a cure. She said:

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Hongkong, August 1, 1904.

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MAIL STEAMER DEPARTURES.

The following table is a chronologically arranged list of mail steamer sailings to Europe, America, Canada, and Australia. Coast ports, Manila, and Japan are not given, for steamers are constantly sailing for those ports. All the American steamers call at Japan, and the majority of the Australian boats call at Manila, and, in addition to those vessels, special steamers run there. The departure of every steamer is subject to alteration. The P. & O. mails usually reach London in about 28 days, and the French and German in about 28 or 30 days.

EUROPEAN MAIL.

DEP.	STEAMER.	DESTINATION.	MAIL DUE LONDON ABOUT.	DUE.
Feb. 1	G. M. S. Bayern	Hamburg	March 5	4
" 11	M. M. Ernest Simons	Marseilles	" 11	8
" 15	P. & O. Biala	London	" 19	28
" 18	G. M. S. Zieten	Bremen	" 25	12
" 21	M. M. Polynesian	Marseilles	" 25	11
" 25	P. & O. Chusan	London	" 25	11
March 1	G. M. S. Sachse	Bremen	April 8	16
" 12	P. & O. Bengal	London	" 16	25
" 17	G. M. S. Prinzess Alice	Hamburg	" 22	28
" 26	P. & O. Nubia	London	" 29	

CANADIAN MAIL.

DEP.	STEAMER.	DESTINATION.	DUE.
1905			1906
Feb. 8	O.P.R. Empress of India	Vancouver.	Mar. 1
March 8	do. Empress of Japan	do.	Mar. 29
" 15	do. Athenian	do.	Apr. 8
" 29	do. Empress of China	do.	Apr. 19
April 12	do. Empress of India	do.	May 10
" 26	do. Tartar	do.	" 20
May 10	do. Empress of Japan	do.	" 31
" 24	do. Athenian	do.	June 17

AMERICAN MAIL.

DEP.	STEAMER.	DESTINATION.	DUE.
1905			1906
Feb. 3	P.M.S. Mongolia	San Francisco	March 3
" 17	do. China	do.	" 17
" 28	do. Manchuria	do.	" 28
March 11	O. & O. Doie	do.	April 1
" 19	do. Korea	do.	" 21
April 4	do. Coptic	do.	" 25
" 16	P.M.S. Siberia	do.	" 13

AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

DEP.	STEAMER.	DESTINATION.	DUE.
1905			1906
Feb. 8	E. & A. Empire	Sydney.	Mar. 1
" 11	G. N. Taiman	do.	" 5
Mar. 6	N. D. L. Prinz Sigismund	do.	" 29
" 8	E. & A. Eastern	do.	" 29
" 16	do. Australian	do.	April 26
April 17	N. D. L. Prinz Waldemar	do.	May 10
" 24	E. & A. Empire	do.	" 24
May 29	N. D. L. Prinz Sigismund	do.	June 21

## AUCTIONS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Underigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,

on THURSDAY,

the 2nd February, 1905, at 2.30 p.m., at his SALER ROOMS, DUNDRELL STREET.

A SELECTION OF JAPANESE CURIOS,

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TERMS:—As Customary.

On View from Wednesday, the 1st February, 1905.

GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, January 28, 1905.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on TUESDAY, the 7th day of February, 1905, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, New Territory of Seven Lots of CHOW LAND at Cheung Kwai O in the New Territory of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years, if competent for the Colonial Government as to make it.

Particulars of the Lot.

Lot No.	Area in Acres	Area in Sq. Yds.	Area in Sq. Fms.	Area in Acres	Area in Sq. Yds.	Area in Sq. Fms.	Area in Acres	Area in Sq. Yds.	Area in Sq. Fms.
1	1.00	4840	110	1.00	4840	110	1.00	4840	110
2	1.00	4840	110	1.00	4840	110	1.00	4840	110
3	1.00	4840	110	1.00	4840	110	1.00	4840	110
4	1.00	4840	110	1.00	4840	110	1.00	4840	110
5	1.00	4840	110	1.00	4840	110	1.00	4840	110
6	1.00	4840	110	1.00	4840	110	1.00	4840	110
7	1.00	4840	110	1.00	4840	110	1.00	4840	110
8	1.00	4840	110	1.00	4840	110	1.00	4840	110
9	1.00	4840	110	1.00	4840	110	1.00	4840	110
10	1.00	4840	110	1.00	4840	110	1.00	4840	110

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HONGKONG ELECTRIC TRAMWAYS.

TIME TABLE.

January, 1905, and until further notice.

KENNEDY TOWN TO CAUSEWAY BAY. (Daily)

Kennedy Town to Causeway Bay, 7.30 A.M. and every 15 minutes until 11.00 P.M.

Causeway Bay to Kennedy Town, 6.50 A.M. and every 15 minutes until 10.30 P.M.

KENNEDY TOWN TO RACE COURSE. (Daily)

Kennedy Town to Race Course, 7.30 A.M. and every 15 minutes until 6.00 P.M.

Race Course to Kennedy Town, 6.50 A.M. and every 15 minutes until 6.40 P.M.

CAUSEWAY BAY TO SHAIKHWAN. (Daily)

Causeway Bay to Shaikhwan, 7.30 A.M. and every 15 minutes until 10.15 P.M.

Shaikhwan to Causeway Bay, 7.30 A.M. and every 15 minutes until 10.54 P.M.

WORKMEN'S CARS. (Daily, Sundays Excepted)

Quarry Bay to No. 2 Police Station, 6.55 A.M. and every 15 minutes until 6.00 P.M.

No. 2 Police Station to Quarry Bay, 6.55 P.M. and every 15 minutes until 6.50 P.M.

Central Market to Kennedy Town, 6 P.M.

Special Tickets for School Children may be obtained on application to the General Manager. Price 100 Tickets \$5.

Special Cars may be arranged for on application to the General Manager.

Special Race Course cars leave the Hongkong Hotel (daily except Sundays) at the 6.15, and 6.30 A.M. returning from the Race Course at 8.15, and 8.30 A.M. respectively.

J. GRAY SCOTT, General Manager.

Hongkong, January 20, 1905.

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## His Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	Class.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Last reported at.
Alcidity	despatch-vessel	1700	12	900	Comdr. Richard M. Harbord	Hongkong
Albion	battleship, 1st class	12,850	42	13,600	Captain Sydney R. Fromant	Hongkong
Algerine	cruiser, 1st class	11,000	16	13,400	Capt. Charles Windham, C.V.O.	Wahaiwei
Amphitrite	cruiser, 1st class	11,000	16	13,400	Capt. R. N. O'Donnell	Mira Bay
Andromeda	cruiser, 2nd class	4380	10	—	Captain L. G. Tufnell	Hongkong
Arcturion	gunboat, 1st class	710	6	1300	Reserve	Hongkong
Brantford	gunboat, 1st class	710	6	1300	Reserve	Hongkong
Centurion	battleship, 1st class	10,160	14	13,000	Lieut.-Comdr. T. D. Pratt	Hongkong
Cherub	gunboat, 1st class	710	6	1300	Captain Fegen	Hongkong
Phoenix	torpedo boat destroyer	380	6	3700	Lieut.-Comdr. Asser	Singapore
Terminus	cruiser, 3rd class	1680	12	3200	Reserve	Hongkong
Glory	battleship, 1st class	12,900	18	13,500	Captain Hon. Walter G. Stopford	Hongkong
Hart	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	Reserve	Hongkong
Hogue	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	Reserve	Hongkong
Humber	cruiser, 1st class	12,000	14	21,000	Captain Shortland	Hongkong
Indra	cruiser, 3rd class	1640	12	3000	Lieut.-Comdr. P. M. Riadore	Hongkong
Janus	torpedo boat destroyer	3600	17	9000	Captain W. B. Faulkner	Hongkong
Kimber	river gunboat	280	6	3900	Lieut.-Comdr. A. Gregory	Hongkong
Kimber	river gunboat	—	4	—	Lieut.-Comdr. C. P. Metcalfe	Hongkong
Kimber	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lieut.-Comdr. F. B. Noble	Hongkong
Kimber	battleship, 1st class	12,350	16	13,500	Captain T. G. Greet	Hongkong
Kimber	torpedo boat destroyer	380	6	3300	Reserve	Hongkong
Kimber	ship	1015	6	1400	Reserve	Hongkong
Kimber	surveying-vessel	835	6	650	Comdr. C. E. Mouro	Hongkong
Kimber	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut.-Com. R. E. Vaughan	Hongkong
Kimber	ship	980	6	1400	Comdr. Vivian	Hongkong
Kimber	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut.-Com. H. T. Atty	Hongkong
Kimber	cruiser, 2nd class	3600	16	9000	Capt. J. H. Moore	Hongkong
Kimber	cruiser, 1st class	12,000	14	21,000	Lieut.-Comdr. Davidson	Hongkong
Kimber	torpedo boat destroyer	250	6	6500	Captain Wm. L. Grant	Hongkong
Kimber	receiving ship	4680	6	—	Lieut.-Comdr. Crawford	Hongkong
Kimber	river gunboat	180	2	800	Commodore Dicken	Hongkong
Kimber	cruiser, 2nd class	3400	6	8000	Lieut.-Comdr. F. V. Dugmore	Hongkong
Kimber	cruiser, 1st class	380	6	3000	Capt. J. A. C. Wilkinson	Hongkong
Kimber	battleship, 1st class	12,550	18	13,500	Lieut.-Comdr. R. H. Keate	Hongkong
Kimber	torpedo boat destroyer	355	6	6800	Capt. Leslie Stuart, C.M.G.	Hongkong
Kimber	surveying ship	820	6	450	Reserve	Hongkong
Kimber	torpedo boat destroyer	280	6	500	Comdr. Ernest C. Hardy	Hongkong
Kimber	river gunboat	150	2	500	Lieut.-Com. G. W. Wrightson	Hongkong
Kimber	river gunboat	150	2	500	Lieut.-Com. Wassen	Hongkong

\* Flag of Admiral Sir Gerard H. Noel, Commander-in-Chief

† Flag of Rear-Admiral the Hon. A. G. Curzon-Rowe, C.B., C.M.G.

## Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name	Flag and Description.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captains.	
Aspern	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	2437	20	7300	Capt. Friedrich Grunzberger	Singapore
Kaiserin Elisabeth	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	4000	29	8000	Captain Mirti Franz	Hongkong
Acheron	French armoured gunboat	1796	10	1700	Comdr. Laferriere	Salgon
Aconite	French gunboat	300	7	400	Lieut. A. Varney	Salgon
Argus	French gunboat	123	—	500	Lieut. Crespin	Canton
Aspic	French gunboat	476	3	400	Lieut. Jonnie	Salgon
Valaicha	French gunboat	140	5	150	—	Haiiphong
Langell	French cruiser	3740	29	9000	Capt. Lefevre	Salgon
Agassiz	French gunboat	140	5	150	—	Haiiphong
Chateaufort	French cruiser	8018	18	17,000	Captain V. Poidlons	Woomung
Comete	French gunboat	626	4	438	Commander Lonel	Haiiphong
Decidore	French gunboat	690	10	900	Commander L'East	Salgon
Ascas	French cruiser	4000	31	9500	—	Salgon
Albatros	French gunboat	356	7	303	Lieut. Jehenne	Haiiphong
Albatros	French cruiser	9378	38	20,200	—	Shanghai
Albatros	French gunboat	—	—	—	—	Haiiphong
Albatros	French destroyer	307	7	300	Lieut.-Comdr. Beaussant	Haiiphong
Albatros	French gunboat	1250	6	2340	Commander Le Gollier	Shanghai
Albatros	French cruiser	9700	12	19,600	Lieut. de Yeun Prat	Haiiphong
Albatros	French torpedo-boat	350	7	300	Capt. Houst	Yangtze
Albatros	French cruiser	4015	27	8500	Comdr. Sennes	Hongay
Albatros	French torpedo-boat	350	7	300	Lieut. de Woorth	Haiiphong
Albatros	French cruiser	9437	8	6071	—	Salgon
Albatros	French cruiser	1798	10	1760	Capt. Vincent	Salgon
Albatros	French gunboat	9586	—	20,000	Captain Vertesca	Shanghai
Albatros	French gunboat	629	2	900	Lieut. Holgue	Yangtze
Albatros	French gunboat	6150	23	4560	Captain Blondel	Along Bay
Albatros	French gunboat	123	7	500	Lieut. Carol	Canton
Albatros	German cruiser	1857	15	2800	Comdr. Hoss	—
Albatros	German flag-ship	11,000	30	14,000	Captain Erze	Manila
Albatros	German cruiser	1778	15	2660	Comdr. von Stadnitz	Singapore
Albatros	German cruiser	8230	34	10,000	Capt. Weber	—
Albatros	German cruiser	6500	37	10,000	Capt. Baron Schimmelmann	Singapore
Albatros	German gunboat	1000	10	1300	Comdr. Baron von M. Hilleseum	Nanking
Albatros	German gunboat	900	10	1300	Comdr. Wilbrandt	Shanghai
Albatros	German gunboat	850	10	1344	Comdr. Kromcke	Hongkong
Albatros	German gunboat	1009	8	975	Comdr. von Grumbkow	Manila
Albatros	German cruiser	1840	15	2800	Captain Periss	Shanghai
Albatros	German cruiser	2650	24	8000	Captain Velt	Shanghai
Albatros	German gunboat	900	10	1300	Comdr. Deimling	—
Albatros	German gunboat	170	5	1300	Comdr. Globber	Canton
Albatros	German gunboat	—	3	500	Lieut. Scharf	Shanghai
Albatros	Italian cruiser	2300	10	7471	Captain Bona Ried	—
Albatros	Italian cruiser	3800	—	—	Captain Presbiero	Shanghai
Albatros	Italian cruiser	2498	29	7000	Capt. Pasotto	Shanghai
Albatros	Portuguese cruiser	1990	14	4000	Captain d'Antas Ribeiro	Hongkong
Albatros	Portuguese gunboat	720	—	—	Captain Coutinho	Hongkong
Albatros	Portuguese cruiser	3215	20	8000	Capt. Manuel Vaseo de Carvalho	Singapore
Albatros	Russian gunboat	810	6	730	Comdr. Guinter	Vladivostok
Albatros	Russian cruiser	2300	5	4700	Comdr. Grunsteichkoff	Port Arthur
Albatros	Russian cruiser	6000	27	24,000	Capt. Reitzenscheim	Shanghai
Albatros	Russian gunboat	7800	10	16,500	—	Port Arthur
Albatros	Russian gunboat	1050	8	1150	Comdr. Erjokovitch	—
Albatros	Russian cruiser	6640	12	19,500	—	—
Albatros	Russian cruiser	6731	6	6000	—	Salgon
Albatros	Russian gunboat	1468	8	1700	Capt. Nasarovskiy	Port Arthur
Albatros	Russian gunboat	500	9	3500	Comdr.-Yonief	Port Arthur
Albatros	Russian gunboat	1400	6	2000	Comdr. Zagarsky	—
Albatros	Russian cruiser	12,364	44	14,500	Captain Jensen	Vladivostok
Albatros	Russian gunboat	1000	6	1000	Comdr. Shumoff	—
Albatros	Russian gunboat	1224	7	1400	Commander Crona	Shanghai
Albatros	Russian cruiser	3000	6	17,000	—	Shanghai
Albatros	Russian battleship	8	1400	—	—	Port Arthur
Albatros	Russian battleship	12,674	15	14,500	Comdr. Vanilleff	—
Albatros	Russian battleship	10,980	16	10,600	Captain Jakovlev	—
Albatros	Russian battleship	12,674	15	14,500	Capt. Zatzardeng	Damaged
Albatros	Russian battleship	10,980	16	10,600	Captain Oseoff	Port Arthur
Albatros	Russian cruiser	1334	10	1788	Comdr. Liven	Port Arthur
Albatros	Russian battleship	12,902	16	16,000	—	Port Arthur
Albatros	Russian protected cruiser	12,500	68	13,250	Captain Sepelrenkopf	Vladivostok
Albatros	Russian protected cruiser	10,923	26	13,250	Capt. Matsuyev	—
Albatros	Russian battleship	10,940	16	10,600	Captain Seretrenkoff	Port Arthur
Albatros	Russian gunboat	950	2	1125	Lieut.-Comdr. Ivanoff	Port Arthur
Albatros	Russian gunboat	500	9	3300	Comdr. Zagorlansky-Riedel	Port Arthur
Albatros	Russian cruiser	1230	16	1194	Comdr. Abramoff	Port Arthur
Albatros	U. S. cruiser	3769	28	7600	Capt. Dyser	Cavite
Albatros	U. S. gunboat	1000	12	1227	Capt. Rohr	Shanghai
Albatros	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. G. Williams	Manila
Albatros	U. S. cruiser	4600	—	—	Capt. Sargent	Manila
Albatros	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. Irwin	Manila
Albatros	U. S. gunboat	908	10	800	Lieut. Demaker	Hongkong
Albatros	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. E. P. Joseph	Manila
Albatros	U. S. cruiser	3215	12	7500	Comdr. Hugo Osterhaus	Manila
Albatros	U. S. cruiser	480	7	8000	Lieut. H. E. Arnold	Manila
Albatros	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. A. W. Knox	Manila
Albatros	U. S. gunboat	560	10	6000	A.-Comdr. J. Hood	Shanghai
Albatros	U. S. gunboat	1392	8	1988	Comdr. P. E. Sawyer	Manila
Albatros	U. S. monitor	3390	6	3000	Captain Mahan	Shanghai
Albatros	U. S. monitor	4084	4	5944	Captain J. P. Milhan	Cavite
Albatros	U. S. cruiser	3427	20	7500	Comdr. G. B. Harbo	Manila
Albatros	U. S. gunboat	10,283	45	11,111	Captain Barwell	Shanghai
Albatros	U. S. gunboat	201	3	280	Ensign J. E. Bass	Cavite
Albatros	U. S. gunboat	201	3	250	Capt. Bennett	Cavite
Albatros	U. S. cruiser	4000	14	—	Capt. J. B. Collins	Manila
Albatros	U. S. cruiser	5213	18	7500	Comdr. Marshall	Shanghai
Albatros	U. S. cruiser	4088	27	9913	Captain Vey	Manila
Albatros	U. S. gunboat	1000	13	1118	Comdr. Marshall	Shanghai
Albatros	U. S. gunboat	347	3	500	Lieut. H. A. Wiley	Shanghai
Albatros	U. S. gunboat	1397	8	1894	Comdr. A. W. Dodd	Manila
Albatros	U. S. flag-ship	12,000	50	12,000	Captain Oliver	Shanghai



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MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Meeting.

9 p.m.—Meeting of Zealand Lodge.

Miscellaneous.

Transfer Books of Humphreys' Estate &amp; Finance Co., Ltd., close from this date to 11th January inclusive.

Goods per *Polydora* undelivered after this date subject to rent.Goods per *Tadpole* not cleared on this date subject to rent.Goods per *Robinson* undelivered after this date subject to rent.Goods per *Kamming* undelivered after 4 p.m. on this date will be landed.

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, February 2.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Japanese Curios, &amp;c., at Mr. Geo. Emmett's Sales Room.

Goods per *Benardick* undelivered after this date subject to rent.Goods per *Typhoon* undelivered after this date will be landed.

FRIDAY, February 3.

Transfer Books of Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd., close from this date to 13th February inclusive.

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SATURDAY, February 4.

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SUNDAY, February 5.

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We cannot undertake to return rejected communications.

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Telephone, No. 22.

## The China Mail.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, JANUARY 31, 1905.

## DESTITUTE SEAMEN.

WHEN the beachcomber question became so acute in Hongkong we wrote on several occasions pointing out that the Government had some responsibility in connection with the matter, and, in consequence, should take steps to either rid the Colony of the trouble or provide temporary employment for those desiring it, so that the onus of their support should be taken from the shoulders of residents. In another column we published letters dealing with a suggestion by the Governor to temporarily relieve distressed seamen. Whilst Sir Matthew Nathan is to be complimented upon his generosity and the interest he shows in dealing with the question we do not think that the public should be burdened with the support of men who come here destitute, either with the hope of securing employment or with the idea that they will be able to live for a time at least at somebody else's expense. Either such people should be prevented by the Government from landing or the Government itself should support them.

It does not appear to us to be the right thing to expect the residents to put their hands into their pockets to support every unfortunate who might drift down from other parts in the East. Manila sends over a fair proportion of hard-ups, and as soon as it becomes known that the people here are about to prepare a happy hunting ground for the workless, other ports will be emptying their burdens into our lap. There is charity, and charity, and for the sake of residents we feel bound to express the opinion that it would be wrong at this stage of the Colony's existence to allow charity to run mad. There is no reason on earth why Sir Matthew Nathan should put his hand into his pocket to support five men who are workless, nor any reason why any other citizen should even support one. Either the burden should be shared evenly by a small tax being imposed, or the Government should tackle the question and use some of its surplus revenue to cope with the difficulty. As it is out of the question entirely to tax people for the support of the indigent there is only one alternative if it is desired to relieve certain citizens from the obligation of looking after somebody else who cannot or will not work, and that is for the Government to make the question its own. Already large sums of money are spent annually in Hongkong on charities and the Governor's proposal, generous though it might be, will be but the thin edge of the wedge, for an increase. No doubt the question will be thrashed out at the forthcoming meeting. It will stand considerable argument both for and against. The scheme is certainly one to minimise the evil, but with all deference to His Excellency we believe it to be east upon absolutely wrong lines. Many will declare it wrong to expect the Government to find work. Well, let the Government keep the workless out of the Colony. They should do one of the two things.

The Swatow correspondent of the N.C. Daily News writes:—Apparently a real tide of sport has set in. It may seem incredible but it is true that a Hongkong team is coming to Swatow to try their fate with the willow on our superb cricket field. There is something sublime in this gigantic stride in outdoor recreation and we hold our breath at the audaciousness of challenging a crackling centre like Hongkong. Hongkong was against it. This David defying their Goliath! When they recovered from the shock they kindly promised to let us have a second eleven to knock to pieces. Shanghai needs to watch

this with interest, as the Model Settlement may be the next point of attack. At present our energy is unflagging. Every afternoon there is practising at the nets to put on style and precision. Swatow sport shall no longer be a neglected sport. There is hope that we shall shine in an interport match—in the distant future. A walking match ought to be our next attempt. Material is ready if a committee took it in hand.

The usual Monday night concert was given last evening at the Seamen's Institute, Kowloon. There was a large audience and an enjoyable programme was contributed.

His Excellency the Governor has arranged to give the juveniles of the Colony another treat on Friday, February 17th, when they are invited to attend a children's party at Government House.

It was rumoured this afternoon that an employee of a shop in Queen's Road had stolen \$20,000 and been caught with the whole sum in his possession. The police were unable to confirm the statement.

Writing in the Hongkong Church Missionary Society Association's paper, *From Month to Month*, of his tour in Fuhkien, the Bishop of Victoria says:—The brightness of the visit to Fuhning with, however, overshadowed by the recent death of Mrs. Mackenzie, a cousin of a Hongkong resident, who had been married in the spring to the Rev. M. Mackenzie, a missionary Priest and Doctor connected with the Dublin Mission.

In our report yesterday of the annual meeting of the Hongkong Land Investment Co. and Agency Limited, we incorrectly reported Mr. George's question to the Chairman. It should have read:—Mr. George: Am I correct in surmising that since the interest on all these properties which are under development has been paid out of the earnings, do the proprietors on the reclamation stand in the books at their original value plus the building expenses or is it written off their value?—The Chairman: The properties you ask about stand in our books at their original cost.

Messrs. Hughes and Hoag auctioned the booths and other privileges in connection with the forthcoming race meeting yesterday afternoon, the total sum realised being \$3010. The different lots were disposed of as follows:—Lots 1, \$210; Mr. Xavier, proprietor of the Hongkong Printing Press; 2, \$270; 3, \$150; and 4, \$250; Mr. Leabill, Steward of the V.R.C.; 5, \$200; Mr. Vass; 6, \$170; Mr. Razack; 7, \$320; Mr. Remedios; 8, \$215; and 8, \$145; Messrs. Ritchie and Co.; 10, \$140; Mr. Ho Chuk Wai; 11, \$140; Mr. Lang Tai; 12, \$200; and 13, \$105; Mr. T. Arakawa of the Japanese Club; 14, \$90; Mr. Yee Pak Hung; 15, \$90; Mr. Sam Yee; 16, \$85; Mr. Razack; 17, \$80; Mr. Loris; 18, \$85; and 19, \$195; Mr. Ah On.

## Bangkok's Kindness.

The Colonial Secretary has received the following telegram from H. B. M. Consul, Bangkok, dated January 28:—Hongkong has not been declared infected, but is considered a suspected port, arrivals from which merit medical inspection rather than quarantine. The station for quarantine and inspection has been changed from Kohphai to Kohphra.

## Alice Memorial Hospital.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Nethercole Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—Jardine, Matheson and Co. .... \$100  
Druggists Guild ..... 100  
Green Island Cement Co. .... 75  
The General Station ..... 50  
Oil Guild ..... 50  
Dried Fruit Dealers Guild ..... 50  
Grossmann and Co. .... 25  
Palmer and Turner ..... 25  
E. Pabany ..... 25  
J. J. de Remedios and Co. .... 25  
Gibb, Livingston and Co. .... 25  
A. M. Eschbayer ..... 25  
Lamke and Rogge ..... 25  
Holland China Trading Co. .... 25  
Jelsson and Co. .... 25  
East Asiatic Trading Co. .... 25  
W. K. Loxley and Co. .... 25  
C. G. M. .... 25  
A. B. Mary ..... 25  
H. N. Mody ..... 25  
Deutsche Asiatic Bank ..... 25  
Gilman and Co. .... 25

A New York wire states that fearing bankruptcy, because of the slump in the price of cotton, farmers and merchants throughout certain sections of the South are taking the heroic measure of burning cotton to prevent a further fall and to advance the price of the staple. It is proposed that 2,000,000 bales shall be burned, each State to furnish its quota.

A TIMELY SUGGESTION.—This is the season of the year when the prudent and General Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is certain to be needed before the winter is over, and results are much more prompt and satisfactory when it is kept at hand and given as soon as the cold is contracted and before it has become settled in the system. In almost every instance a severe cold may be warded off by taking this remedy freely as soon as the first indications of the cold appear. There is no danger in giving it to children for it contains no harmful substance. It is pleasant to take—both adults and children like it. Buy it and you will get the best. It always cures. Sold by All Dealers; WATKINS & Co., Ltd.; General Agents.

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## THE RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR.

## GENERAL MISTCHENKO

WOUNDED.

Remains at the Front.

LONDON, January 30.  
A telegram from St. Petersburg, dated January 29, says that General Mistchenko, who dashing led the recent cavalry raid on Newchwang, has been wounded in the leg.

He is, however, required at the front and will not return home.

## THE BALTIC FLEET.

LONDON, January 30.  
Reuter's correspondent at Port Said wires: There is reason to believe that at least a portion of the Baltic fleet will shortly return through the Canal; and it is rumoured that some of the ships will visit the Persian Gulf.

## Non-Combatants at Chofoo.

CHOFOO, January 27.  
Three Japanese steamers and sixteen junks have arrived here with 2,800 non-combatants on board. The steamers were anchored at the bluff for two days, owing to bad weather.

Six hundred refugees landed on Thursday. Others went on board the steamers "Minchen," "Lady Mitchell," and "Whampoa," which are bound for Odessa, via Shanghai. Those who landed are awaiting transport to Shanghai. They are in excellent health.

Chofoo is lively, but good order is maintained, though the accommodation is strained.

There are still about two thousand non-combatants at Port Arthur.

## Dr Morrison's Alleged Report on Port Arthur.

OSAKA, January 26.  
Dr Morrison, *The Times* correspondent at Peking is reported to have wired to *The Times*, after inspecting the real condition of Port Arthur, that there would never be a more disgraceful surrender in the world than that of Port Arthur.

## The End of the War.

PARIS, December 25.—The correspondent of the *New York Herald* at St. Petersburg sends the following statement made to him by an eminent official in one of the highest and most responsible positions in the empire:—In reply to a question as to the end of the war, this authority said, with a very mournful look: "No one in the world can tell how it is all going to end. The situation is complicated to a degree which prevents one seeing any light. It is all very disappointing." He left me with the impression that he saw only one good end to the trouble, and that was that the war should be stopped. That is the opinion of 999 out of 1,000 good Russians. The remaining one is usually a contractor or a member of the commissariat. But who always answers, stop it? How? Curiously enough eyes are constantly turned to the United States, and there seems to exist some idea that President Roosevelt might be the man to stop the war.

## STOESSEL'S SURRENDER.

## A Remarkable Allegation.

The following remarkable letter appeared in the *N. O. Daily News*, over the signature of "Cosmopolite":—

Whether Dr Morrison's telegram be correctly given or not, it is surely time now for English newspapers to publish what Russians are saying openly: that the capitulation of Port Arthur is a scandal; that there was no Council of War beforehand, as reported at length and with many pretty touches, but that Stoessel made his announcement, and the other Generals were so dumbfounded they could say nothing. But a week before, General Stoessel had written to General Kuropatkin that all was well, perfectly well; so Kuropatkin's state of mind may be better imagined than described. Not one General but many are said to have wept at Port Arthur when the fatal truth was forced home upon them. And the soldiers were so enraged, that Stoessel never took formal leave of them. For months Russians from Port Arthur have been relating how, when the English papers did get in, all describing Stoessel as a hero, men there felt in despair. He, they knew, had done nothing but confuse things and write and speak bombastically. Smyrnoff was on the ramparts at night, everything Stoessel, with others, as a protest, has gone as a prisoner to Japan. It is not wonderful, however, that foreign newspapers have been misled, for no word of mild criticism of General Stoessel has ever been allowed to pass the outer world. But it is heard that Smyrnoff, a Russian hero of the good old school, as it would appear, should be denied his need of praise.

When all the truth is known we shall probably hear of other reasons for surrender. The fact was not starvation, as is sufficiently shown surely by the comfortable portliness of the ladies and gentlemen of 'long noses' and 'sad memories' we see among us. Miss Stoessel seems to have been an excellent housekeeper; she had many pigs that she fed, also a cow and chickens. She fed them and then she fed her husband. For this she is to be respected. But whether women are in their right place in a beleaguered city is a question to which few men will be found to answer. Yes! Months ago, other officers protested and said all ladies and children ought to be ordered to leave Port Arthur. But no order to that effect was given. And it is said that weeping ladies congregated at Stoessel's table and protested: "You value your honour more than our lives." This may or may not be true. Certainly there are women who under such circumstances would have acted quite otherwise. As nurses of the sick, as housekeepers and cooks, women may be very useful even in a beleaguered city. But to the bitter end, even if they render the most efficient service, it is a question whether they do serve them. Miss Stoessel seems to have been a kindly as well as an efficient housekeeper. The little orphans that she fed and has taken home with her speak for this. But to Russians it is not the matter of a few children more or less; it is their impregnable, as they thought, fortress yielded, as they think, unnecessarily and to the national disgrace. It is not only Miss Stoessel who has been exalted. Stoessel declared: Smyrnoff has been exalted. Stoessel declared: Unfortunately so many of them only speak a tongue not understood of the common people.

## UNEMPLOYED EUROPEANS.

The Rev. J. H. France begs to acknowledge the following donations in response to his letter of Dec. 30.

A Friend	Amount previously acknowledged	Total
...	\$538.80	\$538.80
...	20.00	558.80

## CHINESE NEW YEAR.

## Preparing to Celebrate.

The usual preparations are being made by the Chinese community to celebrate their New Year's Day which falls on Saturday, February 4.

The streets in the Western portion of the Central District are already assuming the holiday appearance, being lined with banners and stalls, where a thousand and one different articles are on sale from all parts of the Chinese Empire.

At one stall are to be seen hundreds of tiny gold fish, at another various descriptions of curios and Chinese handicraft, while the productions of English and German factories are not unrepresented, for, amongst the articles offered to the curious seeker, are undoubtedly some which bear their marks.

Large numbers of Chinese have been coming into the city for some time past and the streets where stalls are situated are now so crowded that it is with difficulty that a ricksha can make its way amongst the pedestrians.

So far no special preparations for any functions of a public character appear to have been made and it seems that the most demonstrative part of the proceedings will be the letting off of crackers, for which permission has been given by the Captain Superintendent of Police, within certain limits.

The following notice is issued by the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 31st at 11.45 a.m. the barometer has risen rapidly in N. Japan and more moderately in S. China and Formosa. It has fallen slightly in the Yangtze valley.

Gradients are less steep upon the east coast of China and moderate upon the south coast. Fresh N.E. monsoon will prevail in the Far East Channel and to the northward of it and moderate N.E. winds in the northern part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—Moderate N.E. winds, overcast, fair.

A FULL-GROWN elephant can carry three tons on its back.

HAYTI devotes almost one-sixth of its revenues to free schools.

TWO Splendid tonics, Iron and Cod Liver Oil are combined in *Stearns' Wine*, a most acceptable preparation to the invalid and the delicate. Immediately beneficial.

COLDS are quickly cured by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It acts on nature's plan, loosens the cough, relieves the lungs and opens the secretions, affording a permanent cure. It counteracts any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia. Sold by All Dealers; WATKINS & Co., Ltd., General Agents.

Memoranda.

MONDAY, February 6:—

8.30 a.m.—Military Gun Practice.

Transfer Books of Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, Ltd., closed from this date to 20th February inclusive.

TUESDAY, February 7:—

3 p.m.—Auction of Queen Land at the Public Works Department's Office.

FRIDAY, February 10:—

Noon—Meeting of Humphreys' Estate & Finance Co., Ltd., at the Registered Offices.

MONDAY, February 13:—

12.30 p.m.—Meeting of Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd., at General Manager's Office.

TUESDAY, February 14:—

Noon—Meeting of Hongkong & Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., at Company's Office.

SATURDAY, February 18:—

Noon—Meeting of Shareholders of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, at the City Hall.

MONDAY, February 20:—

Noon—Meeting of Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., at the Company's Office.

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## FIGHTING THE AUTOCRAT.

## WARSAW STRIKES BACK.

## TENDING.

## All Traffic Suspended.

LONDON, January 30.

The strikes are Warsaw are extending in all directions.

The tramcars have been stopped by the strikers and all traffic is suspended.

Moscow and St. Petersburg are quiet.

## TREPOT'S TERMS.

## Calling on the Mobs to Surrender.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 26.

General Trepot, the recently appointed Governor General of St. Petersburg, has offered concessions to the rioters of the capital. He has issued a proclamation calling on the mobs to surrender their arms, ammunition and whatever material may be in their possession for the furtherance of their plans to overthrow the government; also that the leaders of the movement be turned over to the government for punishment. The rank and file are offered immunity from any investigation, on condition that the strikers return to their accustomed places of work and that all will take no further part in any plan to further revolutionary ideas.

Owing to the power of the leaders over the population that has attempted to overthrow the government, there is little probability of the present terms being accepted.

Twenty-four hours' time has been granted in which to meet the terms offered and all who refuse to accept the proffered conditions will meet, with no consideration on the part of the troops and police.

It has been demonstrated that the mob was but poorly supplied with arms and ammunition, and while it exceeded the force of the government at least five to one, it was wholly unprepared to cope with well armed troops.—*Manila Cienfuegos*.[CHINA MAIL'S EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]  
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## HUNGARIAN POLITICS.

## THE GOVERNMENT OVER-THROWN.

## Opposition Sweep the Polls.

LONDON, January 30.

The Hungarian Government have been severely defeated at the elections.

The Ministry were completely swept aside by the votes of the Opposition.

[The Hungarian Ministry just defeated was composed of Count Stephen Tisza, President of the Ministry and Minister of the Interior; Count Kuenen, Minister of Finance; Count Albert de Batthyany, Minister of Agriculture; Count de Tisza, Minister of Education; Count de Tisza, Minister of Commerce; Count de Tisza, Minister of Justice; Count de Tisza, Minister of National Defence; and Count de Tisza, Minister of War.]

The Hungarian Parliament consists of a Lower House of 453 members, 40 of whom are Croats. The members are elected for five years. There is also an Upper House, the domain of Count Tisza's Ministry has been imminent for some time and its immediate cause was the introduction of "gagging" legislation. On March 6, 1904, Count Tisza announced his intention of introducing drastic measures of censorship with the object of silencing the opposition. After a brief struggle the opposition again was renewed, and scenes were frequent in Parliament, culminating in the Opposition smashing the fittings of the House. The elections are the result of the dissolution of Parliament.—*Edw. C. M.*

## THE KOWLOON CANTON RAILWAY.

## Mr W. Keswick Speaks.

Speaking at the annual general meeting of the British and Chinese Corporation in London on Dec. 29, Mr. W. Keswick, M.P. said:—The Canton Railway to the Kowloon territory is receiving our active attention. The desirability of railway connection between the British Colony of Hongkong and Canton is becoming very manifest, and our part in the scheme is to arrange for the financing and construction of the Chinese section from Canton to the frontier of Kowloon, where it will join a projected railway through British territory. We have every reason to hope the agreements that are necessary will not be long delayed. Now with regard to the financial result of the placing of the loan I have referred to—the Shanghai-Nanking Railway issue—through the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, the remuneration obtained for our services will be from a commission on the purchase of material for the railway, which will be an annual source of revenue, and there will also be whatever profit is shown on the loan after the charges connected with it have been met.

## STEARNS' HEADACHE CURE.

can be obtained from all dispensaries (quickly by post). Never be without the Genuine.

## WHEN SUFFERING from a cold and

you fear an attack of pneumonia, secure a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and use it judiciously. There is no danger from this disease when the remedy is used. It always cures and cures quickly. For sale by All Dealers; WATKINS &amp; Co., Ltd., General Agents.



## DESTITUTE SEAMEN.

## A Scheme of Assistance.

Those who have for some time been striving to help distressed Europeans in Hongkong, and who have hoped to see some scheme evolved which would relieve the man in the street from the necessity of doing out alms to all and sundry who might plead poverty, will read with interest the following correspondence which has been forwarded to us for publication:—

(To the Editor of the CHINA MAIL.)  
SIR,—The President of the Benevolent Society has received the following letter from His Excellency the Governor on the subject of making temporary provision for destitute seamen in the Colony.

As the Benevolent Society, which has many other demands upon it, is not in sufficient funds to enable it to become a permanent body, the scheme suggested by His Excellency, it is obliged to invite residents who are interested in the matter to assist it by becoming guarantors.

If any are willing to assist they will be obliged by sending their names to the undersigned.

The Annual General Meeting of the Society will be held in the City Hall on Tuesday, February 7, at 6.00 p.m. when any further information concerning the scheme referred to above will be gladly given.

All who are interested in the general work of the Society and in this proposal in particular are invited to attend.—Yours etc.

H. A. V. MAY,  
President Benevolent Society,  
Hongkong, January 30.

Goverment House,  
Hongkong, January 28.

Dear Mrs May—I willingly accede to your request that I should expend my suggestion that the Benevolent Society should render assistance in the difficult matter of dealing with cases of destitute seamen in the Colony, who have become destitute through no fault of their own.

As you are probably aware it is not necessary, before a destitute who is a seaman, can gain admittance to the Sailors' Home, that he should deposit \$50 as a guarantee for the cost of his maintenance, and, owing to this rule, which is necessary if the Home is to keep its present satisfactory status of a self-supporting institution, many deserving cases of destitution are precluded from entering the Home and are, perforce, driven to the House of Detention.

I have, however, recently arranged that, before any destitute is arrested by the Police and sent to the House of Detention as a vagrant, he shall be sent to the Sailors' Home and have his case investigated by the Superintendent and Chaplain with a view to ascertaining whether the man is a seaman and worthy of assistance.

Should the case be a meritorious one I suggest that the Benevolent Society should guarantee the necessary \$50, and propose, in order to effect this guarantee, that subscribers should be invited, in addition to their present subscriptions, to undertake the Society's obligations in the following manner:

Assume that A, B, C, D and E guarantee 1, 2, 4, 1 and 5, sums of \$50 respectively in the year, the first destitute received into the Home would be supported by A, the 2nd by B, and so on to E. The sixth would be supported by B, the 7th by C, the 8th by D, the 9th by E, the 10th by A, the 11th by B, and the 12th and 13th by E. If the 2nd and 6th men remained in the Home 10 and 20 days respectively, B would be liable to pay \$10 and \$20 respectively, his maximum liability on account of these two men would be \$30.

The Benevolent Society would only make itself responsible for the Home for the number of destitutes guaranteed by the subscribers. Suppose that ten subscribers guaranteed on an average to pay for the stay at the Home of two destitute seamen. The Society would know that during the year it could draw on funds to pay for twenty men in all. It would keep the roster of the guarantors and call on them in succession to pay for the men that were admitted in succession to the Home.

It would thus merely furnish the machinery by which the scheme would be worked independently of the work of the Society. It is no doubt true that it would be simpler for the Superintendent of the Home to himself do the work I suggest should be entrusted to your Society. But it seems to me that your Society has better opportunities for making the scheme known and for getting people to become guarantors. Besides its members have formed themselves into a body for the purpose of rendering assistance in cases of distress in the Colony among persons other than the Chinese or European communities and will probably look upon it as their right and privilege to take part in any scheme which has this end in view.

If the scheme commends itself to you, will you kindly put it before the Society? If it is adopted I should be willing to become responsible for five cases admitted to the Home in the course of the year, i.e. as an E guarantor.—Yours sincerely,

(Sd.) MATTHEW NATHAN.

## GREAT BRITAIN AND JAPAN.

## The Future Alliance.

In referring to the fact that the Anglo-Japanese Alliance expires in two years' time the *L. and C. Express* says:—"We have already recorded that Japanese sentiment points to a closer and unqualified defensive alliance for the protection of the interests of either Power. The only enemy dangerous to us or to Japan in the East is Russia, and such a treaty would put an end, once for all, to our fears and to Russian aggression. Japan would be relieved of the burden of an unnecessarily large army. The British Fleet would, in case of need, guard the shores of Japan, while the troops of Japan would protect, in need, the Indian frontier. The more extensive of such a treaty would almost certainly obviate the necessity for applying its provisions."

RELIEF AFTER SIX YEARS.—Mrs M. A. Clark, of Timbory Range, N. S. W., Australia, writes: "I wish to inform you of the wonderful benefit I have received from your valuable medicine. I suffered from a severe cough for six years and obtained no relief until I took Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. One bottle cured me and I am thankful to say that I have never had the cough since. Make any use of this remedy that you like for the good of our other poor sufferers." For sale by All Dealers. WATKINS & Co., Ltd., General Agents.

## THE FINANCIAL CRISIS.

## Failures in Shanghai.

This portion of the Chinese year appears to have been quite disastrous to several native banks here, especially those owned by Cantonese, as it is reported that two of the largest of these have been compelled to suspend payment, the first with liabilities said to amount to over Tls. 1,800,000, and the second Tls. 700,000 odd, says the *N. C. Daily News*.

Another Cantonese Bank it is feared, will in consequence, find difficulty in tiding over the Chinese year, which is now so closely approaching its end.

Beside the above financial disaster it is stated that one of the largest and best-known native goldsmith shops in the International Settlement is in difficulties owing to its business manager having dabbled in exchange in connection with tea and silk, whereby he has failed, involving no less a sum than Tls. 300,000.

There are also other failures in the air, which it is premature to notice at present.

## THE SHAIKIWAN PIRACY.

## Accused on Trial.

Four Chinese men and a woman were placed in the dock at the Magistracy this afternoon in connection with the recent Shaukiwan piracy. Two of the defendants were represented by Mr H. K. Holmes and Chief Detective Inspector Hanson prosecuted. Kwok Sau Chi, master of the boat which was held up, deposed that he had been trading between Shaukiwan and Victoria for some years past and left for the city as usual early on the morning of January 13. They made very slow progress after starting and had got as far as Blackhead's soap factory when he saw a boat rowing towards them from the mainland with twelve men in it. The boat came alongside and the men jumped on board and told them not to make a noise. The robbers said they were taking revenge and told witness and the occupants of his boat that if they did shout they would kill them. They were armed with knives and revolvers.

Two men attacked witness and pushed him into the cabin after having thrown pepper into his eyes. After that he was unable to see what went on for some time. All of the people on board of the boat were put in the hold. When he regained his eyesight, he saw the robbers removing boxes from the living apartments, and after being on board for about half an hour the robbers covered the hold up where witness and his people were confined and went away in the direction from which they came. On getting out of the hold he found that \$1500 which he kept in a box had been stolen, together with 200 pieces of clothing and jewellery, worth about \$138. Over \$600 recovered witness identified as his by the way it was wrapped up. He also identified the clothing. The reason why he had such a large sum of money in the boat was that he and his father had been using the boat for many years and he had no son or anyone on shore to whom to entrust it. His boat was his home.

The case was proceeding when our report closed.

## SMART CAPTURE BY THE DETECTIVES.

## Three Men Arrested Red Handed.

A smart capture was effected last night by a squad of detectives, under Chief Detective Inspector Hanson, as a result of which three Chinese are now waiting their trial for stealing considerably over \$2000 worth of clothing and valuables. It appears that some time ago a party of Chinese desperadoes arranged to rob a house at Po Hong Tong and selected last night as the most favourable occasion for doing so. This fact was communicated to the detectives and they in turn planned to intercept the robbers on their way to the house and thus prevent the robbery.

According to a prearrangement the Chief Inspector and a number of men got out last night for a spot where they expected to intercept the robbers but when they arrived there they found that the former were ahead of time and had already gone to the house, which was No. 8. The party hastened to the house, and seeing that the robbers were inside hid themselves where they could best lay hands on them when they came out again. They had not been in hiding more than a minute or two when the first of the robbers made his appearance and was quietly seized, having a bundle of valuable clothing in his possession. The second man followed almost immediately and was also seized, but not without making a little noise, and the third, who was at his heels, seeing that something was wrong, fled back up the stairs closely followed by Detective O'Sullivan, and was caught at the top of the stairs where his retreat was cut off by a closed door.

The last two men were found to have over \$2000 worth of jewellery in their possession, and looking through the house the officers found that they had been armed with chopsticks and had intimidated two women, who were the inmates, and tied them up with cords. To prevent the women from calling for assistance they had been gagged with pieces of wood and were unable to move or utter a sound. The three men arrested are Au Hang, Ho Shing, and Mak Sam, and they have been charged with, that being armed with offensive weapons, to wit, chopsticks, they did so personal violence towards Se Au Tui and Kung San, and rob them of jewellery valued at \$2275 and clothing to the value of \$115.

THE OBLATE FATHERS have given £10,000 to the Cardinal Vaughan Memorial School, which will be built at Westminster.

## GOSSIP FROM SHANGHAI.

## [BY THE HONORARY.]

SHANGHAI, January 18.

Every Wednesday towards the close of afternoon the Shanghai Municipal Band discourses sweet music at the Town Hall. It is not fashionable to attend, so the audiences are somewhat scanty, but they make up in enthusiasm what they lack in numbers. A few English, a few Germans, more Portuguese and a troop of school children generally make up the usual attendance, and those said children thought a splendid entertainment had been provided as accompaniment to noisy games. But adults differed and indignant protests reached the powers that be. The Sikh policeman on duty was powerless to keep order, the children probably regarding him as one of their favourite heroes direct from tales of adventure. Therefore, the services of a British 'Bobby' were requisitioned, and now listeners are allowed to enjoy the band in peace. Slight young forms dodge behind the handstand, inviting a fellow to play 'touch' but ever on the alert a stalwart form bears down and carries off an unwilling captive to a penitential or indignant parent, as the case may be, and terror reigns in the small hearts of juvenile Shanghai.

I wonder if there is a newspaper published in Shanghai which does not regularly every month seize some opportunity to rail at the chit system and attribute to it the many downfalls of young fellows who come out East to earn salaries which at home would be impossible. I know very well that these words themselves are more repetitions of what have been written hundred of times before, but the evil is so obvious and a remedy so necessary that it stands constant discussion. It is a temptation to buy things without the reach of your income, and more especially to drink at all times, when immediate payment is not required and all that is necessary is to sign a chit. Too many young fellows scribble their names on pieces of paper and then are apt to delude themselves by saying "Thank God that is paid for." The Clubs have learnt to protect themselves and the names of defaulters are posted up and this has proved effective in keeping men within bounds, and now the hotels are seriously contemplating following this example. It does sound rather brutal but the hotel has a right to take stringent steps to save themselves the heavy losses they sometimes suffer, and at the same time it is really to the benefit of the spendthrifts themselves. Cart-wheel dollars are impossible to carry about, but there is such an extensive paper currency that it is not now necessary, and there is no valid reason why chits should not be abolished and Shanghai become the ideal home of members of the Young Men's Christian Association. Following this trend of thought why not convert, say, the Masonic Club, into Exeter Hall?

There is an energetic lady in Shanghai who has snatched a moment from her overpowering household duties to write to the Editor of a newspaper and complain of the bad electric lighting. In that she is justified because private houses and the streets are a disgrace. The Company have tendered elaborate explanations about machinery which tarried on its dilatory way and we are comforting ourselves with big promises of better things to come, meanwhile we stumble in a dreary darkness. But what annoyed me was the air of pride with which the busy fair one set forth her daily duties. "In the morning," she wrote, "I am occupied with household duties" (they do not exist in the East for European women), "in the afternoon I visit the sick, call and receive callers, and the evenings I devote to reading, writing or sewing." She has my respectful sympathy. It is a shame she should be harassed by the naughtiness of the Municipal Council in not providing sufficient light for her to fulfil her arduous tasks. If she falls fainting to the ground, the least the Council can do is to pay the doctor's bill.

There is nothing more detestable than the suspicion of bribery in business transactions and every effort should be made to stamp out the slightest traces of such practice wherever British administration is concerned. These reflections are born of the

case tried at the Mixed Court, in which a native clerk in the Customs Service brought an action for slander against the shroff of Messrs Gutz Bros. Twice a day did the unfortunate shroff trot off to the Customs anxious to get some papers of shipment endorsed without delay for his Company, but without success. At last he was informed by an office boy that the best means of getting the papers through was to pay the clerk the usual *cumsha*. He reported the matter to his employers who decided to take the matter up. The clerk denied the allegation, but although no actual proof was forthcoming of his acceptance of such bribes (this always is a difficult thing to prove) his case was dismissed, the Magistrate remarking that it did not reflect to his credit; while the shroff was honorably discharged.

At a meeting of the Anti-Foot Binding Association, the interesting announcement was made that prominent Chinese gentlemen had consented to wear badges signifying that they desired wives with natural feet for their sons. I can see a proud papa unbending in his superior Chinese knowledge that his son is a man and consenting to his son's bride foregoing torture of this terrible description. And talking about Chinese brides, within the past fortnight I have passed quite half a dozen and in each instance the unfortunate "victims" (of course, I am referring to the bride) has been howling long and loud in her cramped wedding chair. In some instances grinning coolies have tried to thrust in their faces and get a peep at the lamb which was being led—but there my Editor tells me, he objects to Biblical quotations.

## U.S. CONSUL-GENERAL FOR CANTON.

## Consul McWade's Successor.

Among the passengers on the transport *Thomas* which arrived at Manila a few days ago, were Mr Julius G. Lay and wife. He has been in the consular service of the United States for over 15 years and is going to accept the position of Consul-General at Canton. The last five years of Mr Lay's consular service have been spent in Barcelona, Spain.

Mr Lay has never been in the Orient before and one could hardly expect an opinion of the country, but when informed by the *Canton* representative that the difficulties of the Canton-Hankow railway had been settled permanently by the acquisition of the road by a powerful American syndicate, he remarked that he could not have heard anything that would have pleased him better. During his incumbency at Canton Mr Lay said that he expected to be a witness of a great industrial invasion by American manufacturers and an assistant of its successful progress in every possible way. Mr Lay expects to leave on January 31 for Hongkong and thence to Canton, relieving Mr Chesbrough, who has been the representative since Consul McWade's dismissal.

## THE SILVER MARKET.

The Silver market has presented a very interesting position for some time, and the prospects of the white metal have been more hopeful than for a long time. There has been much talk of a general demand for China, particularly Shanghai, due possibly to the exigencies of the war, and Continental buying for Russia, due probably to the same cause, whilst India, under the influence of good crops, has been a free buyer. Supplies from the United States have been much less than usual, and there is now a demand for silver for the purposes of subsidiary coinage, all the Sherman Act silver being absorbed. Under the move to a gold standard in Mexico we are likely to see an absorption of the metal, for the present, rather than a free export. The position is distinctly interesting in view of the currency changes in the Straits Settlements and Siam. A few months ago popular ideas seemed to be generally centred on a 2s. dollar (monopoly value) for the Straits. With silver at 24½ per oz.—the highest price of the year, we may note that the dollar goes into the melting pot, and the *Conant* in the Philippines and the *yaeyen* in Japan, are very close to the lip of it. The Straits have wisely taken the matter of fixing the value of the new dollar in a leisurely manner, and the present rise in Exchange has at least not caught them, but it scarcely simplifies the problem, unless they agree on the 2s. dollar and immediately take on gold as their currency—a step we hardly look for. We may repeat, however, the whole position is distinctly interesting.—*L. and C. Express*.

## THE OCEAN YACHT RACE.

Laffan's agent at New York says nine yachts have already been entered to compete in the ocean race for the German Emperor's cup in May next. The entries are:—Schooners: Mr George Lauder's "Endymion," Mr R. E. Tod's "Thistle," Mr F. S. Leland's "Ariel," and Mr F. R. Coleman's "Hildegarde." Auxiliary Schooners: Mr J. W. Murray's "Reveler," Mr Lloyd Phoenix's "Intrepid," and Mr H. W. Putnam's "Ariadne." Sloops (Cutters): "Constitution" (owned by Mr August Belmont and others; and Mr J. Pierpont Morgan's "Columbia").

The "Columbia" which had won the America Cup in 1893 and 1895, and the "Constitution," almost equally famous as an unsuccessful aspirant for the honor of defending the trophy last year, have been entered for the purpose of disproving the suggestion of English yachtsmen that the America Cup has been defeated in that the American defending yachts have always been mere racing machines, which could not cross the Atlantic without suffering injuries that would handicap them in the race, while the English yachts have been compelled to incur that handicap.

## BY WHARF AND WAVE.

A London dispatch to the *Asahi* reports that the German steamer "Bongalia," carrying coal for the Baltic squadron, ran aground and afterwards sank near Madagascar.

The hull of the "Tahung Maru," which was burnt in the Yangtze some months ago, has, after some months' labour, been reconstructed by Messrs Farnham, Boyd & Co., Ltd., and is now alongside the Old Dock, being made into a river steamer again.

As a particular sign of his appreciation of the help given to the survivors of the migrant steamer "Norge," which was wrecked on Rockhall last summer, the King has conferred the golden medal of merit upon Captain Swinburne, of the ss. "Salva," of Grimaby; Captain Hughes, of the ss. "Largo Bay," of Aberdeen; and Captain Stock, of the ss. "Cervona," of Dundee.

The capture by the Japanese of still another steamer is reported, and this time the haul is a valuable one. On January 18 a Japanese war ship stopped the British steamer "Oakley," 2,450 tons register, as the vessel was steaming through the Tushima Straits. Upon examination it was found that the "Oakley" carried 3,500 tons of Welsh coal, and that she left Cardiff on November 17th for Vladivostok. She was arrested and sent on to Saseho in charge of a prize crew.

The examination at Saseho of the recently captured British steamers "Roseley" and "Lechington" has been concluded in the Saseho Prize Court, and the Procurators recommended that both vessels and their cargoes be confiscated. Notice was duly given of this decision to those concerned. Both steamers belong to Belfast, Ireland, and are quite new, the "Roseley" having been built in 1903, and the "Lechington" in 1902. The steamers resemble the N.Y.K. "Hitachi-maru" in size and general appearance. Both the master of the "Roseley," Mr Robertson, and the master of the "Lechington," Mr Thomas Tait, as already reported, have been released, with their crews.

Owing to the strong north-westerly gale on Jan. 25 several steamers at Woosung dragged their anchors, and there were two rather nasty collisions. The British steamer "Jeserrie" (3,114 tons), from New York, was in collision with the O.D. L. S. "Bayern," and sustained some very bad damage on the starboard side, some of which caused slight leaks. She also lost an anchor and about sixty fathoms of cable. The "Bayern" escaped with a broken anchor. About the same time the British steamer "Powderham," which put into Woosung last week, got loose and fouled the Chinese cruiser "Haichi." Grazing along the cruiser's port side she caused several small damages, and herself had her bulwark plates broken in several places.

It is estimated that the recent fog in the Westcausadale in the shipping business of about £10,000,000. During seven days' traffic in the Thames was practically suspended the whole time. When, on Christmas Day and Monday, the weather cleared a little, the shipping collisions began, and there was a list of disasters posted at Lloyd's on Dec. 23. The cost of these disasters will fall upon the underwriters at Lloyd's. All the damaged vessels will have to be surveyed; the majority drydocked, and the whole cost—survey fees, dock charges, and repair account—paid by the insurers. At low estimate the bill for this will come to a couple of millions sterling for the week.

Some of the owners had a number of boats hung up in the Thames. One firm had 17 steamers, each of 500 tons and over, and another 14 large vessels. The loss to these two owners alone, through non-working amounts to several thousand pounds.

## The Suez Canal.

The Berlin correspondent of the *Standard* says:—"The directors of the Hamburg-American Company issued on Dec. 23 a statement to the German Press, explaining their views in regard to the question of a second Suez Canal."

In this statement, Herr Ballin and his colleagues reiterate and emphasise the accusations of mismanagement already brought against the Suez Canal Company. They mention in particular the refusal of the Company to devote the surplus of dividends exceeding 25 per cent. to a reduction of the Canal dues, as required by the London Programme of 1883, and the enforcement of certain antiquated regulations adopted at the Constantinople Conference of 1873, relating to the dues for spaces on deck available for cargo.

The statement of the Hamburg-American Company, which may be regarded as the manifesto of the opposition to the Suez Canal Company concludes:—"The management of the Suez Canal is such that it exaggerates the whole shipping world. If the present agitation in favour of a second canal results in the reduction of the tolls of the existing Canal, the shipping trade with the Far East will be greatly facilitated. After the conclusion of the war between Russia and Japan, there will be great opportunities of developing the trade with Far Eastern countries. If however, the Suez Canal continues to be managed as at present, both Russia, with the Trans-Siberian (the efficiency of which has been greatly increased by the war), and America, with her direct sea route, will be more favourably situated than the European countries whose way lies through the Canal."

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## CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

IN accordance with Government Notifications Nos. 42 and 43 the EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on SATURDAY, and MONDAY, the 4th and 6th February, 1905.

Hongkong, January 31, 1905. 206

## HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the Eighteenth day of FEBRUARY, 1905, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1904.

By Order of the Court of Directors, (Sd.) J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, January 31, 1905. 207

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the REGISTRY of SHAREHOLDERS of the Corporation will be CLOSED on SATURDAY, the fourth to the eighteenth day of February, 1905, (both days inclusive) during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

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and is being largely used in the London hospitals. Messrs A. S. WATSON & Co. Ltd.,  
have been appointed the Hongkong Agents for this preparation.

Hongkong, December 8, 1904.

## Notices to Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.  
FROM ANTWERP AND LONDON.THE Steamship  
RADNORSHIRE,  
Captain J. M. HAYDEN, having arrived  
from the above Ports, Consignees of  
Cargo are hereby informed that their  
Goods are being landed at their risk  
into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND  
KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LTD.,  
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Goods have left the Godowns, and all  
Goods remaining undelivered after the 1st  
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are to be left in the Godowns, where they  
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GATION COMPANY.NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.  
FROM YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.THE Company's Steamship China,  
having arrived, Consignees of  
Cargo are hereby informed that their  
Goods are being landed at their risk  
into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND  
KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LIMITED,  
whence delivery may be obtained.No Claims will be admitted after the  
Goods have left the Godowns, and all  
Claims must be sent into the Office of the  
Undersigned before Noon, on the 3rd  
February, or they will not be recognized.  
No Fire Insurance has been effected,  
and any Goods remaining in the Godowns  
after the 3rd February, will be subject to rent.Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
SANDER, WIELER & Co.,  
Agents."BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.  
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.STEAMSHIP BENVOIRLOH.  
FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND  
STRAITS.CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby in-  
formed that all Goods are being  
landed at their risk into the Godowns of  
the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND  
GODOWN CO., LIMITED, whence and/or  
from the wharves delivery may be obtained.  
No Claims will be admitted after the  
Goods have left the Godowns, and all  
Goods undelivered after the 2nd Prox.,  
will be subject to rent.All Claims against the Steamer must be  
presented to the Undersigned on or before  
the 9th Prox., or they will not be re-  
cognized.  
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods  
are to be left in the Godowns, where they  
will be examined on the 2nd Prox., at  
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WARE, MECHANICALS.Retail and Wholesale Ironmongers, Pig Iron  
and Foundry Castings, and General  
Storekeepers. P. M. MORRIS.  
Hongkong, December 14, 1904.YOUNG ENGLAND AND YOUNG  
DIARIELL.The revival of interest in the literary  
work of the late Lord Beaconsfield will be  
stimulated by some excellent new editions  
of his earliest novel which are now appear-  
ing. It has for some time past been drawing  
upon the public intelligence that Benjamin  
Diariell was not only a great Statesman,  
but a very remarkable writer. During all  
the later part of his life his fame as a  
politician overshadowed and obscured his  
genius as an author. Englishmen distrust  
and suspect versatility. They are  
always rather reluctant to believe that  
any person can do more than one thing  
supremely well. If he is 'one of those  
writing fellows,' he should stick to his  
books. If, on the other hand, his *metier*  
is politics, it is obvious that his authorship  
can be at best only an amusement, par-  
ticularly if his books are not dull, heavy,  
solemn, and unchangeable. This, for half-a-  
century, has been the prevailing view of  
Lord Beaconsfield's novels. His followers  
were a little ashamed of them. Their wit,  
their satire, their shyness, as they were  
pleased to call them, awakened the suspicion  
of Tory squires and conservative manu-  
facturers. And the literary world followed  
suit. The critics could not believe that a  
Prime Minister who wrote novels was  
other than an amateur, and they declined  
to give him rank among the professionals.  
The Twentieth Century is doing Diariell  
the justice which its predecessor denied  
him. It begins to be understood that in-  
tellects, as in politics, he was a master of  
his craft; that the best of the novels are  
worthy to be studied for their own sake,  
apart from their historical and biographical  
value; that their audacious energy,  
their wit, their character-drawing, their  
superb descriptions, their genuine philo-  
sophical insight, and their romantic  
imaginativeness give them a place of their  
own, not so far behind that accorded  
to the greater masters in the gallery of  
Victorian fiction. May it not be that the  
world will still be reading 'Sybil,' and  
'Conjurings,' and 'Towered,' and 'Hen-  
rietta Temple' when perhaps, to all but  
students, Lord Beaconsfield, the States-  
man, may be no more than the blurred and  
shadowy memory of a mighty name, like  
Walpole or like Canning?"Vivian Grey" was but the 'prelimi-  
nary work of the busy, nervous hand that was  
presently to reach a closer firmness of  
touch, and a more adroit dexterity in the  
manipulation of its material. It is full of  
faults, it is crude, naïve, rhetorical, and  
imperfect alike in its style and conceptions.  
Yet, when all is said, it is a wonderful book  
to have been written by a boy of one-  
and-twenty. 'The scope,' its vigour, its  
ambition, amaze us. Diariell had the re-  
putation, all his life, of being rather an  
independent man, something of a trifle and an  
idler, especially when compared with an  
eminently serious, rival, dabbling earnestly  
in Classics, Homeric, and Theology. But  
Mr Gladstone, in all his fourscore strenuous  
years, never made so concentrated an effort  
of literary industry as that which must  
have come to the composition of this  
boyish story, with its string of multi-  
coloured episodes, its long pages of  
dialogue and description. Mr Langdon-  
Davies's edition of the novel, though no  
doubt less authoritative than the elaborate  
recession which Mr Lucien Wolf has  
in preparation for the Delacorte Press, is  
furnished with a brief but competent intro-  
ductory Essay, and useful biographical and  
biographical notes. There is also a  
careful discussion of the famous 'keys' and  
their real value. The Editor makes it clear  
that, even on political grounds, 'Vivian  
Grey' deserves the attention which has  
been bestowed on it when it appeared, much  
more than the slighting indifference with  
which it was subsequently treated. With  
all its immaturity, it is a book with a pur-  
pose, and embowers in its discursive and  
sometimes flamboyant chapters many of  
those faithful ideas which the author never  
wholly abandoned during his long and  
crowded subsequent career.The real meaning of this audacious Essay  
was not apparent till nearly twenty years  
later, when Diariell put himself at the head  
of the Young England movement. In the  
early Forties Diariell surrounded by a  
brilliant band of young aristocrats fresh  
from school and college, saw, or thought he  
saw, an opportunity of realising some of the  
ideals to which he had given half-formed  
expression in the romantic vision that came  
to him, he bent over his desk in the  
Office of Messrs E. B. Stansfeld & Co.,  
attorneys-at-law. The Nation, he had pro-  
claimed, was to be saved by its youth, and in  
such gifted and ardent young men as Lord  
John Manners, who still lives, crowned  
with many winters, and the seventh Vic-  
count Strathford, who died too soon,  
Diariell believed that he had found the  
knights of the Round Table who could rescue Britain  
from the slough of base materialism and the  
equilibrium of selfishness. Perhaps the  
Young Englanders went too far with their  
idealism and their fantasies; perhaps  
their revolt against the tyranny of  
laissez-faire and the mercantile spirit, they  
sometimes used rash words. Everybody  
knows two lines of a famous passage of  
verse by Lord John Manners, though its  
fellows are less familiar—  
"In many a hamlet, yet uncursed by  
trade,  
From Faith and Love, all lightly in the  
scale,  
Let wealth and commerce, laws and  
learning die,  
But leave us still our old nobility."But in their soberer moments the Young  
Englanders did not regard trade as a curse.  
Certainly Diariell did not. Read his  
speech at the Manchester Athenaeum,  
delivered on October 3, 1846, when the  
Young England movement was at its flood.  
He had no word to say against commerce  
and industry; but he insisted that all this  
abounding material prosperity was useless if  
it did not elevate the moral temper of the  
nation, and if it left the masses of the  
people in the squalor and filth which they  
existed at the time. He may have thought  
more of the serfs of the fields and theslaves of the manufacturing towns. He  
had read Cobbett's 'and from Cobbett, and  
from his own observation, he derived that  
important inference of the prevailing  
social order which was called Radicalism  
then, and I dare say would be called  
Socialism now. But the provocation was  
intense. There is that unforgettable pas-  
sage of 'Sybil,' which we do not read now  
without a shudder—  
"We descend into still lower depths, into  
the coal-mines. Bands of stalwart men,  
broad-chested and muscular, wet with toil,  
and black as the children of the tropics.  
Troops of youth, also! of both sexes,  
though neither their raiment nor their  
language indicate the difference—all are  
clad in one attire, and each that men  
might shudder at issue from lips born to  
breath words of sweetness. Yet those are  
to be, some are, the mothers of King and I  
But can we wonder at the hideous coarse-  
ness of their language, when we remember  
the savage rudeness of their lives? Naked  
to the waist, an iron chain fastened to a  
bolt of pulley runs, between their legs  
clad in canvas trousers, while on  
hands and feet an English girl, for  
twelve, sometimes for sixteen, hours a day,  
hauls and hauls tubs of coal up subter-  
ranean rows, dark, precipitous and plashed  
circumstances that seemed to have been  
the apotheosis of the Society for the Abolition  
of Negro Slavery. These worthy gentle-  
men, too, appear to have been singularly  
unconscious of the sufferings of the little  
trappers, which their own remembrance, as  
many of them were in their own employ."We almost wonder that all the world was  
not converted by the Young Englanders,  
if Young England meant the extirpation of  
such horrors.But that was not all that this band of  
youthful enthusiasts, headed by a middle-  
aged man of genius, desired. They wanted  
to weld this nation together. They looked  
with indignation at the yawning gulfs that  
divided the classes; and they were dis-  
gusted at the ceaseless, half-unmeaning  
Party quarrel which absorbed so much of  
the best intellect of the country. In  
'Conjurings' Diariell satisfied the longed-for  
limitations of the Party politicians. 'To  
receive one thousand two hundred pounds  
per annum in Government; to try to receive  
one thousand two hundred pounds per  
annum in Opposition; to wish to receive  
one thousand two hundred pounds per  
annum in ambition.' The time came, and  
it came very soon, when Diariell found  
that, as things stood, nothing could be  
done without the instrument of Party; that  
the weapon into his own hands and  
wielded it with unflinching resolution.  
But, looking back upon the Young Eng-  
landers, their ideas do not seem quite so  
absurd and impracticable as they have  
often been represented; and it is not im-  
possible that, in a different form, we may  
see them revived for other than purely  
literary purposes.—Exchange.WING SUN & CO.,  
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6.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes.NIGHT CARS as on Week Days.  
Extra cars at 11.30 and 11.45 p.m.  
SPECIAL CARS by Arrangement at the  
Company's Office, ALEXANDRA BUILDING,  
Des Voeux Road Central.JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, December 30, 1904. 1061THE 'WAVERLEY'.  
NO. 34, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL  
(Opposite the Post Office).A First-class Boarding Establishment.  
Large Airy Well-Furnished Rooms.  
Tables d'Hôte, at Separate Tables. Cuisine  
under the direct supervision of the Proprietress.  
Moderate Terms.  
Hongkong, December 6, 1904. 2183BOARD AND RESIDENCE.  
'KILLADOON'.  
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Airy and Well-furnished Double and Single  
Rooms with full view of the Harbour  
With or without board.  
For Terms, apply the Proprietress,  
Mrs G. S. WEBB.  
Hongkong, July 20, 1904. 133TANG YUEN.  
BOARDING ESTABLISHMENT.  
Splendid View of Harbour.  
No. 18, MACDONNELL ROAD.  
Under European Management.  
Apply at the House.  
OR  
At FAIRALL & CO.,  
Opposite Hongkong Hotel.  
Hongkong, June 10, 1905. 97ZETLAND HOUSE.  
SUPERIOR ACCOMMODATION.  
(Opposite Consulate House).  
No. 1, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.  
MODERATE CHARGES.  
Mrs WATLING, Proprietress.  
Hongkong, July 27, 1904. 1207

## Banks.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,  
AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1853.  
HEAD OFFICE, LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP ... £280,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-  
HOLDERS ... £280,000

RESERVE FUND ... £280,000

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS  
at the rate of 2 1/2 per centum on the Daily  
Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 1/2 %

" " " " " 6 " 3 1/2 %

" " " " " 8 " 3 1/4 %

T. P. COCHRANE,  
Manager.

Hongkong, May 20, 1904. 46

THE MERCHANT BANK OF  
INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL ... £1,500,000

PAID UP ... £1,125,000

RESERVE FUND ... £375,000

LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS  
at the rate of 2 1/2 per centum on the Daily  
Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 1/2 %

" " " " " 6 " 3 1/2 %

" " " " " 8 " 3 1/4 %

EVAN ORMISTON  
Manager.

Hongkong, May 14, 1904. 234

THE BANK OF TAIWAN,  
LIMITED.(INCORPORATED BY SPECIAL IMPERIAL  
CHARTER).

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED ... YEN 5,000,000.

CAPITAL PAID-UP ... YEN 2,500,000.

HEAD OFFICE: TAIPEH, FORMOSA.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:

Amoy, Kobe, Taiwan.

Anping, Nagasaki, Tamsui.

Keelung, Osaka, Tokyo.

Keelung, Shanghai, Yokohama.

HONGKONG OFFICE:

4, QUEEN'S ROAD.

Interest allowed on Current Account.

Deposits received on terms which may be  
learned on application.S. SHIGENAGA,  
Manager.

Hongkong, February 2, 1904. 216

THE  
YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK,  
LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED 1880.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED ... Yen 24,000,000

CAPITAL PAID-UP ... Yen 18,000,000

CAPITAL UNPAID ... Yen 6,000,000

RESERVE FUND ... Yen 9,520,000

HEAD OFFICE: YOKOHAMA.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:

Tokyo, Kobe, Nagasaki.

London, Lyons, New York.

San Francisco, Hongkong, Shanghai.

Singapore, Tientsin, Newchwang,  
Dairen, Liangyang.

LONDON BANKERS:

The London Joint Stock Bank, Limited,  
Parry's Bank, Limited,  
The Union of London and Smiths  
Bank, Limited.

Hongkong Branch—Interest allowed.

On Current Account at the Rate of 2 1/2  
per centum on the daily balance.On fixed deposits for 12 months, 5 1/2 per  
centum.On fixed deposits for 6 months, 4 1/2 per  
centum.On fixed deposits for 3 months, 3 1/2 per  
centum.TAKEO TAKAMICHI,  
Manager.

Hongkong, January 18, 1905. 659

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI  
BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL ... \$13,000,000

RESERVE FUND ... \$17,000,000

STERLING RESERVE ... \$10,000,000

SILVER RESERVE ... 7,000,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF  
PROPRIETORS ... \$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS—

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MANAGER.Shanghai—H. M. Davis,  
MANAGER.LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY  
BANKING CO., LTD.

Hongkong—INTEREST ALLOWED

On Current Account at the rate of 2 per  
centum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits—

For 3 months 3 1/2 per centum.

" " " " " 4 " 3 1/4 %

" " " " " 6 " 3 1/2 %

" " " " " 12 " 4 " 3 1/4 %

J. R. M. SMITH,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, August 22, 1904. 66

## HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

The business of the above Bank is con-  
ducted by the HONGKONG AND  
SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORA-  
TION. Rules may be obtained on ap-  
plication.INTEREST on deposits is allowed at  
3 1/2 PER CENT, per annum. Depositors  
may transfer at their option balances of  
\$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND  
SHANGHAI BANK, to be placed on  
FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT, per  
annum.For the Hongkong and Shanghai  
Banking Corporation,  
J. R. M. SMITH,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 1, 1900. 1517

## Banks.

INTERNATIONAL BANKING  
CORPORATION, B.FISCAL AGENTS FOR THE UNITED STATES IN  
CHINA AND THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.CAPITAL AND SURPLUS  
AUTHORIZED ... Gold \$10,000,000

CAPITAL PAID-UP ... Gold \$3,947,200

RESERVE FUND ... Gold \$3,947,200

HEAD OFFICE—NEW YORK.

LONDON OFFICE—THRESDERLE HOUSE,  
E.C.

LONDON BANKERS:

National Provincial Bank of England, Ltd.,  
Union of London and Smith's Bank, Ltd.,  
British Linen Company Bank.

BRANCHES AND AGENTS ALL OVER THE WORLD.

THE Corporation Transacts every de-  
scription of Banking and Exchange  
business, receives money in Current Ac-  
count and accepts Fixed Deposit at rates  
which may be ascertained on application.

20, DES VOEUX ROAD, HONGKONG.

CHARLES R. SCOTT,  
Manager.

Hongkong, January 3, 1905. 20

## IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.

ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE ON THE  
12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ... Tls. 5,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL ... Tls. 2,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:

CANTON, PEKING,

CHIFU, SINGAPORE,

HANKOW, TIENTSIN.

HONGKONG BRANCH.

Advances made on approved securities.  
Bills Discounted.Interest allowed on Current Accounts at  
the Rate 3 1/2 per centum on the Daily  
Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 3 Months ... 3 1/2 %

" " " " " 6 " 4 " 3 1/2 %

" " " " " 12 " 5 " 3 1/2 %

E. W. RUTHER,  
Manager.

Hongkong, January 6, 1905. 1970

## Intimations

A. S. WATSON &amp; CO., LIMITED.



### Vessels Advertised as Loading.

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Destinations.	Vessels.	Agents.	Date of Leaving.
Amoy, Straits, N'gon	Pentakota (s) .....	Josine, Matheson & Co.	Feb. 7, Daylight.
Australian Ports	Empire (s) .....	31th, Livingston & Co.	Feb. 14, at Noon.
Australian Ports	Tanna (s) .....	Butterfield & Swire ..	February 13.
Am'dam, L'don, A'orp	Priam (s) .....	Butterfield & Swire ..	February 2.
Am'dam, L'don, A'orp	Glaucus (s) .....	Butterfield & Swire ..	February 14.
Am'dam, L'don, A'orp	Idomeneus (s) .....	Butterfield & Swire ..	February 23.
Am'dam, L'don, A'orp	Stentor (s) .....	Butterfield & Swire ..	March 14.
Genoa, Mars, S'pool	Genoa (s) .....	Butterfield & Swire ..	February 30.
L'pool.	Pentaplyn (s) .....	Butterfield & Swire ..	March 30.

Java Ports.....	Pilatipap (s).....	Java-China-Japan Line.....	2nd half of Feb.
Japan via Shanghai.....	Pipapanas (s).....	Java-China-Japan Line.....	1st half of Feb.
Japan via Shanghai.....	Cinabai (s).....	Java-China-Japan Juko.....	February 3.
London, &c.....	Simla (s).....	P. & O. S. N. Co.....	Feb. 11, at Noon.
Mar., L'don, A'erp, &c.	Java (s).....	P. & O. S. N. Co.....	About Feb. 15.
Manilleen via Saigon.....	Ernest Simons (s).....	Messageries Maritimes.....	Feb. 7, at 1 p.m.
Manilla.....	Burmes (s).....	Shewan, Tomes & Co.....	Feb. 7, at 10 a.m.
Manila.....	Zafro (s).....	Shewan, Tomes & Co.....	Feb. 8, at 10 a.m.
Manila.....	Tean (s).....	Butterfield & Swire.....	February 7.
Manila.....	Yuensoeng (s).....	Jardine, Matheson & Co.....	Feb. 3, at 3 p.m.
Manilla.....	Shawmut (s).....	Dodwell & Co. Limited.....	About March 14.
New York v. Suez Canal.....	Satsuma (s).....	Dodwell & Co. Limited.....	About Feb. 15.
New York v. Suez Canal.....	Richmond Castle (s).....	Dodwell & Co. Limited.....	About Feb. 25.
New York v. Suez Canal.....	Ras Issa (s).....	Shewan, Tomes & Co.....	About Feb. 6.
New York.....	Seneca (s).....	Standard Oil Co.....	February 2.

San Francisco, Japan	Mongolia (c)	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	Feb. 5, at Noon.
San Francisco, v. Japan	China (a)	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	Feb. 17, at Noon.
San Francisco, v. Japan	Manchuria (a)	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	Feb. 23, at Noon.
San Francisco, v. Japan	Doric (c)	O. & C. S.S. Co.	Mar. 11, at Noon.
Shanghai, v. Japan	Bengal (c)	P. & O. S.S. Co.	Feb. 11, at Noon.
Shanghai, v. Japan	China (c)	Shewan, Thomas & Co.	Feb. 1, at 11 a. m.
Singapore, P. & Calcutta.	Rumung (a)	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Feb. 8, at 3 p. m.
Shanghai and Portland, Or.	Arabia (c)	Portland & A. S. Co.	Feb. 13, Daylight.
Shanghai and Portland, Or.	Arargina (a)	Portland & A. S. Co.	Mar. 5, Daylight.

Shai and Portland, Or.	Ribomates (s)	Portland & A. S. Co.	Feb. 2, Daylight.
St'ow, Amoy, Foochow	Triumph (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha.	Feb. 1, Daylight.
St'ow, Amoy & Tamsui	M. Struve (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha.	Feb. 5, Daylight.
St'ow, Amoy & Anping	Bjornstjerne Bjornson	Osaka Shosen Kaisha.	Feb. 8, Daylight.
St'ow, Amoy & Tamsui	Fritjhof (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha.	Feb. 12, Daylight.
St'ow & Tamsui	Haiching (s)	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Feb. 1, at 11 a.m.
Victoria B.C. Tacoma	Pineauy (s)	Batfield & Swire	March 6.

Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Lyra (s)	.....	Dodwell & Co., Ltd.	.....	About Feb. 3.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Hyades (s)	.....	Dodwell & Co. Limited	.....	About Feb. 15.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Pléiades (s)	.....	Dodwell & Co. Limited	.....	About Mar. 15.
Vancouver (B.C.), etc.	Empress of India (s)	.....	Canadian P'nc R. Co.	.....	February 8.
Vancouver (B.C.), etc.	Empress of Japan (s)	.....	Canadian P'nc R. Co.	.....	March 5.
Vancouver (B.C.), etc.	Athenian (s)	.....	Canadian P'nc R. Co.	.....	March 15.
Yma, Shai, Moji, Kobe	Japan (s)	.....	P. & O. S. N. Co.	.....	About Feb. 12.

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## SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

January 31, 1905.

No. of	Paid	Closing Quotations
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	Stocks.	Shares.	Value.	up.	Cash.
	<b>BANKS.</b>				\$20. buyers
	Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	80,000	£ 125	all	London, £75.10
	National Bank of China, Limited ...	19,979 1/2	£ 10	8	£ 338
		29,965 1/2	£ 10	8	£ 338
	<b>Do.</b> Founders' shares	750	£ 1	1	£ 110
	<b>MARINE INSURANCE.</b>				
	Canton Insurance Office Co., Ltd. ...	10,000	£ 250	£ 50	\$250. value & buyers
	China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd. ...	24,000	£ 300	25	\$250. value
	North-China Insurance Co., Ltd. ...	10,000	£ 15	£ 75.	£ 75. colls.
		10,000	£ 250	£ 100	\$250. value & sellers

Union Indemnity Association, Ltd.	8,000	5	100	60	\$155
Yangtze Insurance Association, Ltd.					
YIP'S INSURANCE.					
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	20,000	5	100	20	\$31, sales & buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	8,000	5	250	50	\$340, sellers
BOOKS, ETC.					
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co. Ltd.	50,000	5	50	40	\$210, sellers
Geo. Farnhill & Co., Limited.	8,000	5	25	25	\$45, sellers
New Army Dock Co. Ltd.	6,000	5	65	65	\$27, sellers
S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co. Ltd.	55,700	17	100	175	\$100, Tls. 1322
STAMPS, ETC. ETC.					
China and Manila S. S. Co., Ltd.	30,000	5	50	50	\$33, buyers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited.	20,000	5	50	41	\$34, buyers
North & Western Ind. Co., Ltd.	80,000	5	15	16	\$27, sellers

Indo-China S. N. Company, Limited	60,000	£	10	all	£123, buyers
Star Ferry Company, Ltd.	10,000	\$	10	3 10	338, sellers
	10,000	\$	10	5	320, sellers

Shell Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.,	100,000	£	1	1/2	22 1/2	sellers
Taku Tung and Lighter Co., Ltd.,	8,600	Tls.	50			Tls. 50. 30, sellers
Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd.,	800,000	Tls.	60			Tls. 60. 1, buyers
do. Preference.	100,000	Tls.	60			Tls. 48
SUGAR COMPANIES.						
China Sugar Company, Limited.,	20,000	£	100			\$210, sellers
Layan Sugar Company, Limited.,	7,000	£	50			\$20, buyers
Pork Sugar Cultivation Co., Ltd.,	7,000	Tls.	50			Tls. 50. 30, sellers
WHAIRDS.						
H.K. & Kw. Wharf & Godown Co.,	30,000	£	50			\$104 1/2, old
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co.,	10,000	£	100			\$105, new, sellers
LAND AND BUILDING.						Tls. 100. Tls. 180, buyers
Hongkong Land Investment and	50,000	£	100			\$144, old

Agency Company, Limited.....	52,000	17s.	50	Ts.50	17s. 11s, sales
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Ltd.	6,000	£	50	30	32s
Kowicon Land and Building Com- pany .....	8,764	Ts.17s.	25	Ts.95	Ts. 12s, sellers
Wei-hai-wei Land & Building Co., Ltd.	100,000	£	10	all	31s, buyers
Humphreys, Estate & Finance Co.,	60,000	£	10	10	31s, buyers
West Point Building Co., Limited..	12,500	£	50	50	35s, sellers
TRAMWAYS.					
H.K. High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	1,250	£	100	all	£265
MINING.					
Société Française des Charbon- nages du Tonkin.....	16,000	Fcs.	250	all	£480
Tamb Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	1	£	1	18/10	£24, buyers
HOTELS, ETC.					
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd.....	32,000	£	50	all	31s, buyers

Astor House Hotel Ltd. (Monten.)	2,900	T	11s. 50	T	11s. 50	T	11s. 100, sellers
Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd. (S'hai)	50,000	Q	25	Q	25	Q	25, sellers
DISPENSARIES.							
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited. ....	30,000	S	10	S	10	S	312, buyers
Watkins Limited. ....	10,000	S	10	S	10	S	33, sellers
MORTGAGE.							
H.K. and China Gas Co., Limited..	7,000	E	10	E	10	E	160, buyers
Shanghai Gas Company, Ltd. ....	8,000	T	50	T	50	T	11s. 100, sellers
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited. .	30,000	E	10	E	10	E	115, buyers
New Electric (new issue) .....	30,000	10					5 3/4, sellers
RICE AND GRAIN.							
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd. ....	50,000	S	10	S	10	S	22s. sales & sellers
MERCANTILES.							
Bull's Aseano Eastern Agency, .	8,604	E	12 1/2	E	12 1/2	E	3 1/2
Ltd. Anglo-Siam Corporation. ....							

United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	2,000 only 100 each	14 10	14 10	2 2/3 \$180
Hk. Steam Water-boat Co., Ltd.	7,500	10	10	\$20, sellers
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.	7,500	6 1/2	6 1/2	\$12, buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	25,000	25	25	\$225, sales
Shanghai Waterworks Co., Ltd.	7,500	20	20	Tls. 400
H'kong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	5 1/2	5 1/2	\$145
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	10,000	10	10	\$113, sellers
Kwo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 25, buyers
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 24
Luen-Kung-Mow Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 30
Soy Chae Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 150, sellers

	Cable Provident Bond Mortgage	50,000	8	10	794	sellers
	Co. Ed.					
	Sina Bonanza Company, Ltd.	60,000	8	12	13,616	sellers
nt.	Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,500	10		all	\$40, sellers
	Wm. Powell, Ltd.	13,000	8	10	1123	sellers
06,	Shanghai and Hongkong Dyeing and Cleaning Co., Ltd.	1,500	8	50	50	450
benefit, insur-	South China Morning Post	6,000	8	25	25	322
	SUGAR COMPANIES.					

Philippine Co., Ltd.	87,500 \$	10 \$	10,000 salmns
Albemarle Limited	500 \$	500 \$	500 \$ 500 salmns

  

LOANS	Amount.	Value.	Interest.	Guarantee.
Chinese Imperial 1886 E.T.S.	10,000,000 L. S.	2.	4 p. annum	Far.

VERNON and SMYTH, Share-Brokers.

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